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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, CB

SUBJECT: REPORT OF EXECUTIONS OF NEWSMEN IN PHNOM PENH

REF: STATE 089065

1. QUAI DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR ASIA BOLLE SAYS THAT THEY HAVE RECEIVED NO INFORMATION FROM THEIR EMBASSY IN PHNOM PENH WHICH WOULD CORROBORATE -- OR DISPROVE -- THE AP REPORT. HE NOTED THAT THEIR CHARGE HAD CONSIDERABLE DIFFICULTIES BECAUSE OF THE LARGE NUMBER OF FRENCH CITIZENS FOR WHICH HE WAS RESPONSIBLE AND ALSO THAT THERE HAVE BEEN COMMUNICATION DIFFICULTIES. THEY HAVE RECEIVED COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHARGE SINCE THE COMMUNISTS ARRIVED AND BELIEVE THAT HE WILL REPORT SUCH INFORMATION IF HE OBTAINS IT. BOLLE SAID THEY WOULD TELEPHONE US IMMEDIATELY IF THEY LEARN ANYTHING IN THE COURSE OF THE NIGHT. BOLLE WONDERED WHETHER THE REPORT MIGHT NOT REPRESENT SOME CONFUSION ABOUT THE 21 JOURNALISTS PREVIOUSLY MISSING IN CAMBODIA.

2. JOURNALISTS HERE, WHO HAVE RECEIVED THE AP REPORT, HAVE CHECKED WITH THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT, ICRC IN GENEVA, AND AFP. ALL WERE VERY DUBIOUS ABOUT THE REPORT  
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AND JOURNALISTS THEREFORE CONSIDER IT UNRELIABLE.

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